

Docket No.: 50323-017

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Uri TASCH, et al.

Serial No.: 09/827,311

Filed: April 06, 2001

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DETECTING LAMENESS IN ANIMALS

Group Art Unit: 3736

Examiner: Unassigned

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Noting the Office Action of September 17, 2002 wherein restriction has been required, Applicant(s) hereby elect, with traverse, Group I and Species I (claims 1-9, 61, 62) for prosecution in the above-identified application.

Claims 1, 58, and 91 were deemed to be generic. The Examiner required election of one of the species below for search and prosecution:

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| Species I:    | Claims 2-9, 61, 62                 | General System Set-Up                          |
| Species II:   | Claims 10-12, 31-32, 34-35, 69, 71 | Speed Detection                                |
| Species III:  | Claims 22, 23, 64, 92              | Force Analysis: Impulse Variable               |
| Species IV:   | Claims 24-25, 65, 92               | Force Analysis: Stance Time Variable           |
| Species V:    | Claims 26-28, 66-67, 92            | Force Analysis: Total Limb Contact Time        |
| Species VI:   | Claims 29, 30, 63, 68              | Force Analysis: Ground Reaction Force Variable |
| Species VII:  | Claims 15, 59, 92                  | Force Analysis: Weight Variable                |
| Species VIII: | Claims 36-37, 72, 92               | Force Analysis: m-energy Variable              |
| Species IX:   | Claims 38-39, 73, 92               | Force Analysis: p-energy Variable              |
| Species X:    | Claims 40-57, 74-90, 93-96         | Force Analysis: Symmetry Factor                |
| Species XI:   | Claims 33, 70, 92                  | Force Analysis: Step Size                      |